

Senate File 434 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and
2 health care facilities, including information and reporting
3 requirements.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 135.61, Code 2023, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. *"Ambulatory surgical center"* means the
4 same as defined in section 147.163.

5 Sec. 2. Section 135.61, subsection 14, paragraph d, Code
6 2023, is amended to read as follows:

7 *d.* An ~~outpatient~~ ambulatory surgical facility center.

8 Sec. 3. Section 135.61, subsection 21, Code 2023, is amended
9 by striking the subsection.

10 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. **135.75A Additional annual reports**
11 **by hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and health care**
12 **facilities.**

13 In addition to any other information and reporting required
14 under this subchapter, the department shall require all of the
15 following:

16 1. Hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers shall annually
17 report all of the following to the department and to the board
18 of medicine in a format required by the department:

19 *a.* Surgical, medical, anesthesia-related, or other
20 complications from surgeries or treatment provided to patients
21 by the hospital or ambulatory surgical center.

22 *b.* The type and number of each type of surgery performed in
23 the prior calendar year.

24 *c.* Return visit and readmission rates related to a previous
25 treatment or surgery, not including scheduled follow-up
26 appointments.

27 *d.* Findings from surveys on patient safety culture conducted
28 by the federal agency for healthcare research and quality for
29 the prior calendar year.

30 2. Hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers shall provide
31 patient education related to the top five most common surgeries
32 performed in the state. The education materials shall be
33 developed by the department in consultation with the board of
34 medicine, the Iowa hospital association, and the university of
35 Iowa hospitals and clinics.

1 3. Hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and health care
2 facilities shall do all of the following:

3 a. Post information about the regulatory functions of the
4 department and the health care professional licensing boards,
5 including how to contact the department or licensing boards.

6 b. Provide information to patients and residents regarding
7 the actual reimbursement received from a third party for any
8 charges imposed on a patient or resident.

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EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 This bill relates to hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers,
13 and health care facilities, including information and reporting
14 requirements.

15 The bill requires that in addition to any other information
16 and reporting required under Code chapter 135, subchapter
17 VI, relating to the health facilities council, hospitals and
18 ambulatory surgical centers shall annually report all of the
19 following to the department of health and human services (HHS)
20 and to the board of medicine in a format required by HHS:
21 surgical, medical, anesthesia-related, or other complications
22 from surgeries or treatment provided to patients by the
23 hospital or ambulatory surgical center; the type and number
24 of each type of surgery performed in the prior calendar year;
25 the return visit and readmission rates related to a previous
26 treatment or surgery, not including scheduled follow-up
27 appointments; and the findings from surveys on patient safety
28 culture conducted by the federal agency for healthcare research
29 and quality for the prior calendar year.

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4 and appeals, and health care professional licensing boards,
5 including how to contact the departments or licensing boards;
6 and to provide information to patients and residents regarding
7 the actual reimbursement received from a third party for any
8 charges imposed on a patient or resident.